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Chief Executive Officer

April 3, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPOINTMENT FOR INTERIM DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE CORONER  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Recommendation to appoint Lakshmanan Sathyavagiswaren, M.D. to serve as Interim Director for the Department of the Coroner.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Approve the appointment of Lakshmanan Sathyavagiswaren, M.D. to serve as Interim Director for the Department of the Coroner effective immediately.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Mr. Anthony Hernandez, Director for the Department of the Coroner, has retired from County service. To ensure the duties and responsibilities of this critical position are carried out without interruption, we request that your Board approve this recommendation. This is a temporary appointment pending the completion of the process to replace Mr. Hernandez.

Dr. Sathyavagiswaren has served as the County's Chief Medical Examiner since February 1992 and will continue to fulfill these responsibilities in addition to his role as Interim Director. While serving as Interim Director, he will retain his current payroll title and salary. An organizational study of the Coroner's executive management structure has been initiated and subsequent recruitment efforts will be based on findings of this study.

**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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**Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Approval of this recommendation will further the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness to enhance the quality and productivity of the County workforce.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There is no cost for this recommended action.

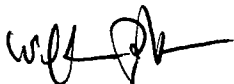
**FACTS AND PROVISIONAL/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The appointment of Lakshmanan Sathyavagiswaren, M.D. to act as the Director for the Department of the Coroner is in conformance with County Code provisions for the Management Appraisal and Performance Plan.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES**

Implementation of this recommendation will ensure continuity in the leadership for the Department of the Coroner.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Executive Officer

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